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The Secretary-General has received the following statement, which is being circulated in accordance with paragraphs 30 and 31 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Statement

The written statement of the Burundi Association for Integration and Sustainable Development is concerned with four main points, namely: strategies for the implementation of a global partnership bringing together indigenous peoples' organizations; pursuit of the post-2015 agenda for indigenous people's development to maintain inclusive global cooperation; promotion mechanisms at the national level, and global responsibility for, and follow-up of, the development of indigenous peoples; and the integration of indigenous organizations having consultative status, to engage in constructive dialogue to identify indigenous groups' economic and sociocultural problems.

As regards strategies for the establishment of a world partnership bringing together indigenous organizations, we propose to put forward a resolution that will encourage governments, United Nations agencies and other funding programmes to integrate indigenous peoples' organizations into the global platform and to support them. In addition, we request that the commissions and subcommissions of each region of the Economic and Social Council create a framework for close cooperation with indigenous organizations in consultative status with the Council for the purpose of creating specific funds for indigenous peoples and their sustainable development.

With respect to pursuit of the post-2015 agenda for indigenous people's development to maintain inclusive global cooperation, we urge that indigenous organizations in consultative status with the Council be involved in decision-making on funds for their development. We further request that a section responsible for indigenous peoples' issues be established within United Nations agencies to mobilize funds in support of indigenous organizations' initiatives.

In the area of promotion mechanisms at the national level, and global responsibility for, and follow-up of, the development of indigenous peoples, the United Nations General Assembly should, in conjunction with the Council, set up a mechanism to review the various governments and United Nations agencies to verify that funds allocated are in fact used for the sustainable development of indigenous peoples. We ask also that a global platform be put in place, with the involvement of indigenous organizations, to promote their sustainable development.

As regards a constructive dialogue to identify indigenous groups' economic and sociocultural problems, we would like the United Nations' funding programmes to support the delegates of indigenous peoples' organizations in consultative status with the Council in participating in high-level meetings to make their oral statements. We also request that support be given to such organizations' delegates so that they can participate in international conferences at the level of the Council's subcommissions and of United Nations agencies.

The Association recommends that the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and the International Fund for Agricultural Development provide support for indigenous peoples' organizations in consultative status with the Council.